

State of California
Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Diego Region

Supplemental: Executive Officer Summary
Report
March 12, 2003

ITEM: 10.b

SUBJECT: WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
General Waste Discharge Requirements for Post-Closure Maintenance and Monitoring of Inactive Landfills Containing Insignificant Volumes of Decomposable Wastes within the San Diego Region: Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002 (Amy Fortin)

PURPOSE: Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002 would, if adopted, supercede Order No. 97-11 for the sites listed on Attachment No. 1 to tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002. The tentative Order revises post-closure maintenance specifications for inactive landfills containing insignificant volumes of decomposable wastes. A location map for the sites included in the tentative Order provided as Attachment 1 to this EOSR.

PUBLIC NOTICE: A Public Notice of this agenda item was published in the San Diego Union-Tribune on January 29, 2003 (Attachment 5 to this EOSR). In addition, a notice was added to the Notification Section of the Regional Board agenda for the February 5, 2003 meeting.

DISCUSSION: The Regional Board staff recently reviewed Order No. 97-11 and determined the post-closure maintenance specifications need to be updated. In addition, the Regional Board staff identified the need to regulate these types of sites under separate waste discharge requirements from: a.) other inactive nonhazardous solid waste landfills containing insignificant volumes of decomposable waste (tentative Order R9-2003-0001: Item 10.a on today's agenda) and b.) inactive solid waste landfills containing nonhazardous and hazardous wastes (Order 97-11 and addenda thereto).

Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002 (Attachment 2 to this EOSR) contains general waste discharge

requirements for post-closure maintenance and monitoring at inactive landfills containing insignificant volumes of decomposable waste. Tentative Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2003-0002 (Attachment No. 3 to this EOSR) contains a monitoring program for sites enrolled in the tentative Order.

Public comments on the tentative Order were received from the County of San Diego on February 24, 2003. A copy this comment letter is in Attachment No. 6 to this EOSR. Regional Board staff response to comments is in Attachment No. 7 to this EOSR.

LEGAL CONCERNS:

None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

1. Location Map for Tentative Order Nos. R9-2003-0001 and R9-2003-0002
2. Tentative Order R9-2003-0002 and Attachment No. 1
3. Tentative Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2003-0002
4. Staff Report for Tentative Order R9-2003-0002
5. Public Notification
6. Public Comments Received, Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002
7. Responses to Public Comments for Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:

Most of the facilities (Attachment No. 1 to this EOSR) enrolled in the tentative Order are currently listed on Attachment No. 2 to Order no. 97-11 and addenda thereto. One additional facility, the San Pasqual Academy, has been added to the current tentative Order. Tentative Order R9-2003-0002 requires dischargers to:

- a.) complete and report to the Regional Board the results from a periodic assessment of the effectiveness of the existing interim landfill cover system,
- b.) obtain and maintain acceptable financial assurances for post-closure maintenance, and
- c.) to update the site-specific Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan to include best

management practices (BMPs) for effective control of erosion and sediment discharges from the site. Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002 establishes a lower threat to water quality, and associated annual WDR fees (currently at \$1,500) for inactive solid waste landfills containing insignificant volumes of decomposable waste (Attachment No. 4 to this EOSR).

COMPLIANCE HISTORY:

N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Adoption of tentative Order No. R9-2003-0002 is recommended.